

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-2. (canceled).

3. (currently amended): ~~The member according to claim 2,~~ A member for an electroluminescent device comprising a container which is made of a porous material and a non-porous material and a removing agent capable of removing a prescribed gaseous component, the removing agent being contained in said container, and the member being located inside the electroluminescent device,

wherein said container is made of two sheets joined together at their peripheries, one of said two sheets being a porous sheet, and the other being a non-porous sheet; and

said porous sheet is an air-permeable laminate sheet comprising a porous layer and a reinforcing layer.

4. (previously presented): A member for an electroluminescent device comprising a container which is made of a porous material and a non-porous material and a removing agent capable of removing a prescribed gaseous component, the removing agent being contained in said container,

wherein said container is made of two sheets joined together at their peripheries, one of said two sheets being a porous sheet, and the other being a non-porous sheet;

said porous sheet is an air-permeable laminate sheet comprising a porous layer and a reinforcing layer; and

said reinforcing layer is nonwoven fabric.

5. (previously presented): A member for an electroluminescent device comprising a container which is made of a porous material and a non-porous material and a removing agent capable of removing a prescribed gaseous component, the removing agent being contained in said container,

wherein said container is made of two sheets joined together at their peripheries, one of said two sheets being a porous sheet, and the other being a non-porous sheet; and

said porous sheet comprises a polyolefin-based resin.

6. (currently amended): The member according to claim ~~1~~ 3, wherein said removing agent is capable of removing at least one of moisture, oxygen and organic vapors.

7-8. (canceled).

9. (currently amended): ~~The electroluminescent device according to claim 8;~~ An electroluminescent device having a member comprising a container which is made of a porous material and a non-porous material and a removing agent capable of removing a prescribed gaseous component, the removing agent being contained in said container, and the member being located inside the electroluminescent device,

wherein said container is made of two sheets joined together at their peripheries, one of said two sheets being a porous sheet, and the other being a non-porous sheet; and

said porous sheet is an air-permeable laminate sheet comprising a porous layer and a reinforcing layer.

10. (previously presented): An electroluminescent device having a member comprising a container which is made of a porous material and a non-porous material and a removing agent capable of removing a prescribed gaseous component, the removing agent being contained in said container,

wherein said container is made of two sheets joined together at their peripheries, one of said two sheets being a porous sheet, and the other being a non-porous sheet;

said porous sheet is an air-permeable laminate sheet comprising a porous layer and a reinforcing layer; and

said reinforcing layer is nonwoven fabric.

11. (previously presented): An electroluminescent device having a member comprising a container which is made of a porous material and a non-porous material and a removing agent capable of removing a prescribed gaseous component, the removing agent being contained in said container, wherein said container is made of two sheets joined together at their peripheries, one of said two sheets being a porous sheet, and the other being a non-porous sheet; and said porous sheet comprises a polyolefin-based resin.

12. (currently amended): The electroluminescent device according to claim ~~7~~ 9, wherein said removing agent is capable of removing at least one of moisture, oxygen and organic vapors.

13. (previously presented): The member according to claim 4, wherein said removing agent is capable of removing at least one of moisture, oxygen and organic vapors.

14. (previously presented): The member according to claim 5, wherein said removing agent is capable of removing at least one of moisture, oxygen and organic vapors.